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Customer No. 22,852  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
K. CHRISTOPHIDES-LORDI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1616  
Application No.: 10/080,066 ) Examiner: Edward J. Webman  
Filed: February 22, 2002 ) Confirmation No.: 8578  
For: METHODS FOR MODIFYING THE ) **Mail Stop: AF**  
APPEARANCE OF A SUBSTRATE )

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the final Office Action dated May 20, 2005 ("Final Office Action"),  
Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following  
remarks.

**REMARKS**

**I. Status of Claims**

Claims 1, 7-16, and 37-39 are pending.

On the summary sheet of the Final Office Action, the Examiner indicates that  
claims 37-39 are withdrawn from consideration. However, the Examiner does not  
provide any reason for such a withdrawal. Applicants presented claims 37-39 in the